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Comrade KIM IL SUNG Receives

Messages and Telegrams from Many Countries on the Occasion of "Month of Anti-U.S. Joint Struggle for Withdrawal of U.S. Imperialist Aggression Army from South Korea"

Comrade Kim Il Sung, the respected and beloved Leader of the 40 million Korean people, received messages and telegrams from many countries on the occasion of the "month of anti-U.S. joint struggle for the withdrawal of the U.S. imperialist aggression army from South Korea."

The message from the Mali Afro-Asian Solidarity Committee pointed out:

The Mali Afro-Asian Solidarity Committee urgently calls upon progressive mankind and all peace and justice-loving, honest-minded people to demand the immediate and unconditional withdrawal of the U.S. imperialist aggression army from South Korea in conformity with the Korean Armistice Agreement.

The iron-willed Korean people will surely drive the U.S. imperialists out of South Korea and achieve the complete liberation and unification of their country.

The Mali Afro-Asian Solidarity Committee expresses its full solidarity with the brave South Korean people and resolutely supports their resistance struggle against the U.S. imperialist aggressors on the occasion of the "month of anti-U.S. joint struggle for the withdrawal of the U.S. imperialist aggression army from South Korea."

The Korean people led by the brilliant, outstanding Leader Premier Kim Il Sung will certainly defeat the imperialists and their stooges.

The telegram from Mohamed Ould Sidi Ali, President of the Mauritania-Korea Friendship Association, wrote:

I express the resolute support of the Mauritania-Korea Friendship Association to you on the occasion of the month of struggle for the unification of Korea against imperialism.

I firmly believe that the Korean people will win victory for your bravery, wise leadership and iron will and ever-victorious strategy.

Victor L. Mayekino, representative of the Pan-African Congress of Azania in the UAR, noted in his telegram:

This year's month of anti-U.S. joint struggle opens under a very tense situation.

The United States is running wild to start a war of aggression against the heroic Korean people.

The fighting Azanian people express strong solidarity with the Korean people in their struggle against the U.S. imperialists and will wage a powerful struggle to wipe off the face of the earth the U.S. imperialists, the heinous enemy and common foe of the world people.

We fully support the struggle of the Korean people to drive the U.S. imperialists out of South Korea and achieve the peaceful unification of Korea at an early date.

The telegram addressed by the General Headquarters of the People's Front for the Liberation of the Occupied Arabs Gulf pointed out:

The People's Front for the Liberation of the Occupied Arabs Gulf fighting a bitter battle against British colonialism and world imperialism headed by the United States extends resolute and absolute support for the struggle of the heroic Korean people to achieve Korea's unification under the wise guidance of Comrade Kim Il Sung, the great Leader of the 40 million Korean people and one of the outstanding leaders of the international communist and working-class movements, on the occasion of the month of anti-U.S. joint struggle for the withdrawal of the aggressive forces of the U.S. imperialists, the ringleader of world imperialism, from South Korea.

At the same time, our People's Front scathingly condemns all the criminal and brutal acts of the U.S. imperialists against the oppressed peoples of the world.

Our People's Front strongly demands the immediate withdrawal of the U.S. imperialist aggression forces from South Korea.

The telegram sent by the Palestinian People's Liberation Front said:

On the occasion of the month of anti-U.S. joint struggle for the withdrawal of the U.S. imperialist aggression army from South Korea, the Palestinian People's Liberation Front unfolding a people's armed struggle against the U.S. imperialist and Zionist aggression in occupied Palestine affirms the support for the struggle of the friendly Korean people for the unification of North and South Korea. Our People's Front also denounces the shameless aggression of the U.S. imperialists against the security and freedom of the brave Korean people under the guidance of Premier Kim Il Sung, the great Leader of the 40 million Korean people, and other fighting peoples.

Amilcar Cabral, Secretary General of the African Independence Party of Portuguese Guinea and Cape Verde Islands, said in his telegram to Comrade Kim Il Sung:

Availing myself of this month when all the progressive mankind are expressing active solidarity with the heroic Korean people, I, in the name of our people, extend warm greetings to you and reaffirm our unconditional support for the glorious struggle of your people to oppose the American imperialists and their lackeys and achieve the complete liberation and unification of Korea.

I sincerely wish Your Excellency good health and a long life for the Korean people and all mankind.

Abdel Ratif Baltiya, Secretary General of the General Federation of Trade Unions of the UAR, noted in his telegram:

The workers of the United Arab Republic evince their all-out support for and solidarity with the Korean people on the occasion of the month of anti-U.S. joint struggle for the withdrawal of the U.S. imperialist aggression army from South Korea and express their resolve to continue the joint struggle to wipe out imperialism, colonialism and Zionism throughout the world.

We wish the Korean people complete victory in their struggle for unifying the whole of Korea and achieving a socialist society under your heroic guidance.

Tulio Bekietti, General Secretary of the Italian United Proletarian Socialist Party, said in his telegram:

In the name of the Central Committee of the Italian United Proletarian Socialist Party, I express full solidarity with the Korean people in their struggle for the unification of their country.

The Central Executive Committee of the African University Students in Poland said in its message:

The urgent task confronting the Korean people today is to unify their country. The U.S. imperialists have been occupying illegally South Korea. They, along with the Pak Jung Hi puppet clique, not only suppress the South Korean people most brutally but also kill guiltless people and trample down even elementary human rights.

We protest against and condemn the criminal acts of the U.S. imperialists and the Pak Jung Hi puppet clique with surging indignation.

The just struggle of the Korean people for liberating South Korea and unifying the country free from outside interference is a struggle for realizing their ardent desire and aspiration and an important link in the chain of the world-wide anti-imperialist struggle.

We express our full support for the firm stand of Comrade Kim Il Sung on the world revolution.

The message adopted at the mass meeting held in Cetif, Algeria, on the occasion of the "month of anti-U.S. joint struggle for the withdrawal of the U.S. imperialist aggression army from South Korea" wrote:

The question of Korea's unification must be settled independently by the Korean people themselves.

We demand, first of all, the immediate withdrawal from South Korea of the U.S. imperialist aggression army dividing Korea and obstructing her unification.

If the U.S. imperialist aggression army refuses to withdraw from South Korea and starts a reckless aggressive war, the American imperialists will incur the angry denunciation of the peoples of the whole world including our Algerian people. Should the Yankee imperialists launch another war, the Korean people will deal many times heavier blows to the U.S. imperialist aggressors than in the past, completely drive them out of South Korea and achieve the country's unification under the wise leadership of Your Excellency Premier who has commanded the boundless respect as the peerless patriot and national hero from the days of the anti-Japanese armed struggle.

Premier Kim Il Sung of the Cabinet of the Democratic People's Republic of Korea sent a telegram of greetings to the 15th World Conference against Atomic and Hydrogen Bombs. The telegram of greetings reads:

Tokyo

To the 15th World Conference against Atomic and Hydrogen Bombs

I, in the name of the entire Korean people and in my own name, extend warm congratulations and greetings to the 15th World Conference against Atomic and Hydrogen Bombs and its attendants.

The World Conference against Atomic and Hydrogen Bombs has greatly contributed to the struggle of the Japanese people and the world people for opposing the U.S. imperialists' policies of aggression and nuclear war, frustrating the Japanese militarists' aggressive design and strengthening solidarity with the anti-imperialist forces.

The U.S. imperialists are desperately trying to find a way out of their doomed position in aggravating the international tension and intensifying the nuclear arms drive and in a new war of aggression.

The U.S. imperialists are today directing the spearhead of aggression particularly to Asia and trying to rig up a new aggressive military alliance with Japanese militarism as its backbone and openly draw Japan into their Asian nuclear strategic system.

The Japanese militarists are resorting to crafty manoeuvres to realize their aggressive design, while faithfully serving U.S. imperialism as the "shock-brigade" in its Asian aggression and have already started stretching their talons of aggression to South Korea and are actively partaking in the U.S. imperialists' war of aggression in Vietnam.

To defend peace in Asia and the world, the peoples of all countries should unite firm and struggle resolutely against the imperialist aggressors headed by U.S. imperialism.

If the broad anti-imperialist forces join in collectively dealing blows to the U.S. imperialists, the common enemy, and putting pressure upon them in Asia, Africa, Latin America and all other parts of the world, the U.S. imperialists who are already going downhill, will become impotent and bite the dust in the end.

I wholeheartedly wish the Conference success in its work, believing that your conference will contribute to the struggle of the Japanese people and world people against the U.S. imperialists' war of aggression in Vietnam and for active support to the just struggle of the Vietnamese people, against the U.S. imperialists' manoeuvrings to provoke a new war in Korea and for the complete prohibition and destruction of the nuclear weapons, against the nuclear armament of Japan and revival of militarism and for the abolition of the U.S.-Japan "security pact" and for the immediate, unconditional and overall return of Okinawa and removal of the military bases in Japan.

KIM IL SUNG,
Premier of the Cabinet of the Democratic People's Republic of Korea

Pyongyang, July 29, 1969

TELEGRAMS

✦ Comrade **Kim Il Sung**, General Secretary of the Central Committee of the Workers' Party of Korea and Premier of the Cabinet of the Democratic People's Republic of Korea, and Comrade **Choi Yong Kun**, President of the Presidium of the Supreme People's Assembly of the Democratic People's Republic of Korea, received a telegram from Comrade **Y. Tsedenbal**, First Secretary of the Central Committee of the Mongolian People's Revolutionary Party and Chairman of the Council of Ministers of the Mongolian People's Republic, and Comrade **Z. Sambu**, President of the Presidium of the Grand People's Hural of the Mongolian People's Republic, in reply to their telegram of greetings sent to the latter on the 48th anniversary of the Mongolian People's Revolution, the national holiday of the Mongolian people.

✦ Premier **Kim Il Sung** of the Cabinet of the Democratic People's Republic of Korea received a telegram from **Ahmed Sekou Toure**, President of the Republic of Guinea, on the occasion of the 16th anniversary of the victory in the Fatherland Liberation War.

✦ Premier **Kim Il Sung** of the Cabinet of the Democratic People's Republic of Korea received a telegram from **Houari Boumedienne**, Chairman of the Algerian National Council of Revolution and Prime Minister of the Cabinet of the Algerian Democratic and People's Republic, in reply to his greetings sent to the latter on the occasion of the 7th anniversary of the independence day and youth day of Algeria.

✦ Premier **Kim Il Sung** of the Cabinet of the Democratic People's Republic of Korea received a telegram of greetings from **Nureddin Attassi**, Head of State and Prime Minister of the Syrian Arab Republic, on the occasion of the 16th anniversary of the victory of the Korean people in the Fatherland Liberation War.

✦ Premier **Kim Il Sung** of the Cabinet of the Democratic People's Republic of Korea sent a telegram of greetings to **Ibrahim Nasir**, President of the Republic of the Maldive Islands, on the independence day of the Maldive Islands.

✦ Premier **Kim Il Sung** of the Cabinet of the Democratic People's Republic of Korea sent a telegram to **Yassir Arafat**, Chairman of the Executive Committee of the Palestine Liberation Organization, in reply to the latter's telegram of greetings on the occasion of the "month of anti-U.S. joint struggle for the withdrawal of the U.S. imperialist aggression army from South Korea."

Comrade KIM IL SUNG Receives

from Many Countries Telegrams and Messages Denouncing U.S. Imperialists' New War Provocative Machinations

Comrade Kim Il Sung, the respected and beloved Leader and ever-victorious iron-willed brilliant commander, received telegrams and messages from many countries of the world in denunciation of the new war provocative acts of the U.S. imperialists in Korea and in support of the anti-U.S. struggle of the Korean people.

The telegram from Melba Hernandez, Chairman of the Cuba-South Vietnam Solidarity Committee, pointed out that these days the repeated military aggressive acts of the U.S. imperialists against the Democratic People's Republic of Korea are an open violation of the Korean Armistice Agreement, an encroachment upon the sovereignty of the Democratic People's Republic of Korea and a grave menace to peace and security in Asia and the Far East. It continued:

The U.S. imperialists have not stopped their shameful manoeuvres in spite of their heavy defeats sustained in Korea.

But the Korean people who are faithful to the traditions of their heroic struggle will victoriously frustrate the aggressive intrigues of the U.S. imperialists under the wise leadership of Marshal Kim Il Sung, the outstanding Leader.

The Cuban people resolutely denounce U.S. imperialism for its aggression against the Korean people and extend warm congratulations to the fighters of the Korean People's Army who shot down the U.S. imperialist air pirate.

We appeal to the world public opinion to reject and denounce such criminal acts in order to hold in check the war manoeuvres against the Democratic People's Republic of Korea.

We firmly believe that the Korean people will frustrate the aggressive schemings of the U.S. imperialists and their cat's-paws, make a continued advance along the victorious road of the socialist construction and achieve the unification of the fatherland, the supreme desire of the nation.

The telegram from Potreko K. Leballo, Acting Chairman and National Secretary of the Pan-African Congress of Azania, said:

The Pan-African Congress of Azania and the 18 million people express militant solidarity with the 40 million Korean people and the Government of the Democratic People's Republic of Korea under the revolutionary and wise leadership of Comrade Kim Il Sung and take this opportunity to denounce most bitterly the U.S. imperialists who are perpetrating aggressive provocative manoeuvres against the Korean people in gross violation of the Armistice Agreement.

It is our firm belief that the 40 million Korean people under the wise leadership of Comrade Kim Il Sung, the respected and beloved Leader, will, united as one man, curb the vicious machinations of the U.S. imperialist aggressors to destroy the socialist construction now vigorously going on in your country.

We also have a firm belief that the Korean people under the leadership of Comrade Kim Il Sung will chase the U.S. imperialist aggressors out of South Korea and unify the fatherland.

The message from the attendants of the mass meeting held in Pool Province, the Congo(B), in denunciation of the U.S. imperialists' new war provocative manoeuvres and in support of the Korean people's anti-U.S. struggle said as follows:

The Korean people under the leadership of Your Excellency once again dealt a deserving punishment at the aggressors by bringing down at a single shot the spy plane that the U.S. imperialists infiltrated into the Korean territorial air on April 15 and thus displayed their heroic stamina before the whole world. This is the right exercise of the sovereignty of the Korean people and an entirely just defensive measure.

But the U.S. imperialists, reversing black and white, mobilized many warships and instructed their troops to be on the "special alert" and madly push forward preparations for a new war, conducting an "exercise to become accustomed to the geographical condition" along the Korean Military Demarcation Line. It is an insult not only to the Korean people but also to the world peace-loving people.

We all the Congolese people scathingly condemn U.S. imperialism for its reckless adventure. The U.S. imperialists must stop at once this foolish racket and withdraw to their den taking their aggressor troops and lethal weapons with them.

The Congolese people fully support the April 23 statement of the Government of the Democratic People's Republic of Korea and extend firm militant solidarity with it.

The message from Mubarak Ahmed Mubarak, representative of the French Somali People's Movement in the United Arab Republic and representative of the French Somali People's Movement of the Afro-Asian Solidarity Committee said:

Today the world people are looking up to Korea where the idea of *Juche* and the independent line of Your Excellency are being brilliantly embodied.

Your Excellency Kim Il Sung is not only leading the Korean revolution to a great victory, but making an outstanding contribution to the international communist movement and the world revolution.

For this, we express absolute trust in you and regard you as one of the outstanding leaders.

Today the U.S. imperialists are running wild to unleash a new war against the Democratic People's Republic of Korea.

The U.S. imperialist aggressors should be aware that the Korean people are thoroughly prepared politically and militarily to knock down the enemy at one stroke and possess the most powerful revolutionary and invincible might.

The French Somali People's Movement and its people, a brother and comrade-in-arms of the Korean people who are fighting against the U.S. imperialist aggressors, the common enemy, and colonialists, fully support the struggle of the fraternal Korean people for smashing all the war provocation manoeuvres of the U.S. imperialists, defending the independence and sovereignty of the country, achieving the peaceful unification of the fatherland and making a contribution to peace and security of Asia and the rest of the world.

The message from the attendants of the workers' meeting of the Bagdad Spinning and Textile Mill, Iraq, said:

The firm idea of *Juche* and thorough anti-imperialist, anti-U.S. revolutionary idea set forth and carried on by respected Your Excellency Premier constitute a source of strength and a strong theoretical and practical weapon which gives a firm conviction of victory to our people of Iraq and the fighting revolutionary people of the whole world.

Today the Korean people are valorously fighting to thoroughly smash the ceaseless aggression and provocative acts of the U.S. imperialists and their stooges Pak Jung Hi puppet clique and drive out the U.S. imperialist aggressors from South Korea and realise the independent unification of the fatherland.

The Iraqi working-class and people together with the people of the whole world express their warm militant solidarity with the fighting Korean people and are filled with the steadfast resolve to fight to the end hand in hand with the Korean people in the anti-imperialist, anti-U.S. common struggle.

We firmly believe that the heroic Korean people who have inherited the glorious revolutionary traditions of the anti-Japanese armed struggle and are united with single ideology and will around Your Excellency Premier Kim Il Sung, the respected and beloved Leader, will sweep away once and for all the U.S. imperialist aggressors from the territory of their country and surely accomplish the sacred revolutionary cause of country's unification.

We, along with all Iraqi people, sincerely wish good health and a long life to respected Your Excellency Premier Kim Il Sung, the great Leader of the 40 million Korean people and one of the outstanding leaders of the world revolutionary movement, for the victory of the common cause of the Korean people and Arab peoples against the U.S. imperialists and their stooges, the Pak Jung Hi puppet clique in South Korea and Israeli expansionists, and for the consolidation of national independence and the social progress, and for Korea's unification and the final victory of the world revolutionary movement.

TELEGRAMS

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✦ Comrade **Kim Il Sung,** General Secretary of the Central Committee of the Workers' Party of Korea and Premier of the Cabinet of the Democratic People's Republic of Korea, and Comrade **Choi Yong Kun,** President of the Presidium of the Supreme People's Assembly of the Democratic People's Republic of Korea, sent a telegram of greetings to Comrade **Wladyslaw Gomulka,** First Secretary of the Central Committee of the Polish United Workers' Party, Comrade **Marian Spychalski,** President of the State Council of the Polish People's Republic, and Comrade **Jozef Cyrankiewicz,** Chairman of the Council of Ministers of the Polish People's Republic, on the occasion of the 25th anniversary of the resurrection of Poland.

✦ Premier **Kim Il Sung** of the Cabinet of the Democratic People's Republic of Korea sent a telegram of greetings to **Emil Derlin Zinsou,** President of Dahomey, on the ninth anniversary of the independence of that country.

Japanese Authorities Must Release Without Delay Illegally Arrested and Detained Korean Citizens in Japan and CHONGRYUN Functionaries

Spokesman of DPRK Foreign Ministry Issues Statement

A spokesman of the Foreign Ministry of the Democratic People's Republic of Korea issued a statement on July 27 in connection with the recent intensified persecution and repression of Korean citizens in Japan and functionaries of CHONGRYUN (the General Association of Korean Residents in Japan) by the Japanese militarists. The statement reads:

Lately the Japanese militarists are further intensifying persecution and repression of Korean citizens in Japan and functionaries of CHONGRYUN.

On July 16 the Japanese police authorities illegally arrested and detained many Korean citizens and functionaries of CHONGRYUN in Fukuoka, Tokyo and Osaka on preposterous charges of so-called "violation of the immigration and emigration control act," "offering shelter to a youth who smuggled from South Korea" and the like and particularly in Fukuoka they perpetrated the atrocious act of raiding and searching at random houses and offices of Korean citizens by mobilizing hundreds of armed policemen.

The Japanese police authorities who arrested and detained in the "Omura camp" an 18-year-old boy in February last as a "smuggler" from South Korea are kicking up such repressive racket against Korean citizens in Japan and functionaries of CHONGRYUN by cooking up a non-existent "case" with the so-called "confession" which they coaxed the boy to make.

This is one more naked expression of the hostile policy toward the Democratic People's Republic of Korea and a link in the vicious manoeuvres of the Sato government of Japan to wreck the CHONGRYUN organization and suppress and stamp out the democratic, national rights of the Korean citizens in Japan.

The Government of the Democratic People's Republic of Korea and the entire Korean people sternly denounce with surging indignation the crime of the Japanese government designed to wreck the CHONGRYUN organization, wantonly infringing upon the democratic, national rights of the Korean citizens in Japan.

The Japanese militarists are intensifying the suppression of CHONGRYUN and Korean citizens in Japan at a time when the U.S. imperialists and the Pak Jung Hi puppet clique are resorting to the vicious, fascist repression of South Korean revolutionaries and patriotic people, while running amuck in the preparations for a new war against the northern half of the Republic. This glaringly shows that they have embarked more openly upon the road of crimes against the Korean people.

Today the Japanese militarists, while stepping up their political, economic and military infiltration into South Korea by zealously partaking in the U.S. imperialists' policies of aggression and war, are intensifying their persecution and suppression of CHONGRYUN and Korean citizens in Japan in conspiracy with the Pak Jung Hi puppet clique.

The reactionary ruling circles of Japan are blocking the repatriation of the Korean citizens in Japan to their homeland and their freedom of travel to it, imposing upon them the puppet "ROK nationality" and feverishly working to manufacture the "immigration and emigration control law," a fascist evil law, to arbitrarily suppress the Korean citizens in Japan.

With nothing, however, can the Sato government of Japan justify its fascist suppressive acts against CHONGRYUN and Korean citizens in Japan.

The Japanese government is under the legal and moral obligation to protect the Korean citizens in Japan, the legitimate overseas citizens of the Democratic People's Republic of Korea, as foreigners in accordance with international law and international usage and guarantee them all their democratic, national rights.

The Japanese authorities must discontinue at once their suppressive manoeuvres against CHONGRYUN and Korean citizens in Japan and release without delay the illegally arrested and detained Korean citizens in Japan and functionaries of CHONGRYUN.

No suppression and persecution by the Japanese authorities can ever hold in check the just struggle of the Korean citizens in Japan for democratic, national rights and national unification. The daily intensified persecution and suppression of the Korean citizens in Japan by the Japanese militarists will evoke greater national indignation among the entire Korean people and such unwarranted act is bound to be curbed by the resolute struggle of the peoples of Korea and Japan.

If the Japanese government, defying the repeated warnings of the Government of the Democratic People's Republic of Korea and the strong opposition of the peoples of Korea and Japan, persist in criminal act of trampling underfoot the democratic, national rights of the Korean citizens in Japan, clinging to its hostile policy towards the Democratic People's Republic of Korea, it will be held wholly responsible for all the consequences arising therefrom.

Creative Thought of Comrade KIM IL SUNG on Commodity Production and Law of Value in Socialist Society

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In his recent works Comrade Kim Il Sung also gave a comprehensive perfect exposition to the problems of the operation and utilization of the law of value in socialist society.

Comrade Kim Il Sung set forth a creative thought that when those things produced and transferred are commodities, there the law of value operates in substance, but that when means of production are transferred between the state enterprises and they assume the form of commodity, there the law of value operates also in form.

Comrade Kim Il Sung's classic formulation of the operation of the law of value in form is the right key for an allround solution of the problem of the law of value under socialism.

Basing himself upon a profound scientific analysis of the commodity-money relations completely newly formed in socialist society, Comrade Kim Il Sung gave not only a comprehensive scientific exposition to the substantial and formal functions of the law of value, but also a perfect elucidation to the utilization of the law.

With regard to the problem of utilization of the law of value, Comrade Kim Il Sung taught:

"It goes without saying that in socialist society commodity production is a production of goods without the capitalist and, therefore, the law of value operates not blindly as in capitalist society but within a limited sweep, and the state uses it in a planned way as an economic lever for effective management of the economy." ("On Some Theoretical Problems of the Socialist Economy," English ed., p. 14.)

Commodity production exists practically in socialist society. Precisely for this reason, in economic management it is important to make proper use of the law of value, the economic law of commodity production, though it is the economic law handed over from the old society.

Most important here is t[he] using the law of value i[n] cialist society the plan for economic construction and its implementation should never be regulated by the law of value and that the state of the working class should fully control the law and actively use it, while making it thoroughly serve to meet the requirements of the economic law of socialism, the demands of the basic economic law of socialism and the law of planned and proportionate development in particular.

This is a thoroughgoing Marxist-Leninist, revolutionary stand in using the old economic law.

Along with the Marxist-Leninist principle to be observed in utilizing the law of value in socialist society, it is important to find right measures for proper use of the law of value suited to concrete cases—when it operates in substance and when it operates in form.

Comrade Kim Il Sung taught:

"Namely, such means of production are not commodities in the proper sense of the word, but merely assume the form of commodity, and, accordingly, what is made use of here is not the operation of the law of value in the proper sense of the word, but the law of value in form; and in the case of the production and exchange of the means of production, the form of value is made use of simply as an instrument of economic accounting, and not the value itself." (Ibid., p. 17.)

As is taught by Comrade Kim Il Sung, in the production and transference of means of production at the state enterprises they assume the form of commodity and the law of value operates in form. Therefore, here the form of value should be properly utilized and the law of value made use of in form.

A proper use of the law of value in form in the field of the production of means of production makes it possible to meet more satisfactorily the urgent requirements of socialist and communist construction to save social labour to the maximum and create ever greater value of use.

By the use of the law of value in form we mean enforcing the cost-accounting system at the state enterprises, counting the profits and expenditure in monetary form, transferring the produce between the state enterprises at the uniform prices of the state according to the outlays of socially necessary labour on the principle of equivalence, appraising the business activity of the enterprise through monetary indexes such as production cost and profitableness, and enforcing control by *won* over the use of raw and other materials as well as labour power to induce the enterprise to strictly observe the state discipline and more satisfactorily carry out the state plan.

The use of the law of value in form in the field of the production of means of production along with thorough fulfilment of the requirements of the law of planned and proportionate development of the national economy is the way to the most rational utilization of the state-owned material and labour resources. It also renders it possible to lower the cost and increase the profitableness and accumulations by stimulating the increase of labour productivity through the systematic lowering of the standards of material consumption per unit, the improvement of the organization of production and labour and the development of technology.

With regard to the proper use of the law of value in form in the transference of the means of production between the state enterprises, Comrade Kim Il Sung taught as follows:

"In the domain of circulation, too, the commercial form should be fully utilized, while good plans of equipment and material supply are mapped out, so as to do away with the wastage of machines, equipment, raw and other materials and use them in a rational way. When we set up the material supply agencies and saw to it that raw and other materials were bought and sold through the medium of the agencies, we aimed at ensuring their smooth supply." (Ibid., p. 20.)

In socialist society the planned supply of means of production relies on the law of the planned and proportionate development of the national economy and the accurate fulfilment of the requirements of the law is realized more satisfactorily through the use of the law of value in form.

The means of production are supplied to the state enterprises in a planned way according to the centralized uniform plans of the state for the supply of materials. Under the condition in which the supply of materials is realized in the form of trade through the medium of the material supply agencies, the rational establishment of the scale of circulating funds and the level of the prices of machines, equipment, raw and other materials supplied to the enterprises from the state on the basis of the thorough calculation and the carrying out of the principle of equivalent exchange will make the planned supply of means of production carried on most correctly.

The use of the law of value in form in the supply of means of production in the form of trade eggs on the functionaries of the state enterprises not to make a mechanical approach to the supply of raw and other materials supplied from the upper organs according to the plans of equipment and material supply. It makes them form the habit of reexamining it and practising thrift for the supplied materials, and stop purchasing unnecessary raw and other materials at random.

The idea of Comrade Kim Il Sung on using the law of value in form in the production and circulation of the means of production is a creative Marxist-Leninist economic idea that newly put forward and gave an original answer to one of the basic problems of socialist political economics and a revolutionary idea that gave a scientific elucidation to important practical problems in the guidance and management of the national economy.

As regards the question from what standpoint and on what principle should the law of value be made use of especially between the state ownership and private ownership under the condition in which the law of value operates in substance between the state ownership and other ownership, Comrade Kim Il Sung taught as follows:

"Most important of all in the use of the law of value is to fix the prices of commodities properly. Prices should be assessed on the basis of correctly reckoning with the requirements of the basic economic law of socialism and the law of value." (Ibid., p. 23.)

As Comrade Kim Il Sung taught, the Party and the state of the working class that are responsible for the livelihood of the people should adhere steadfastly to the law of equivalent exchange and actively use it for the systematic improvement of the livelihood of the working people in accordance with the requirements of the basic economic law of socialism.

First of all, the assessment of prices should be based correctly on the socially necessary labour. When the fixing of prices is based correctly on the outlays of socially necessary labour, equilibrium of the prices can be more satisfactorily maintained and the socialist distribution properly done.

Inasmuch as the socialist distribution is actually realized when the monetary wages are changed into consumption goods, the correct fixing of prices based on the outlays of socially necessary labour is an important condition for properly making the socialist distribution. This also makes it possible to ensure the smooth realization of the reproduction course of produce by maintaining equilibrium of the prices.

Comrade Kim Il Sung also taught that it is a Marxist-Leninist principle in the price policy of the Party and the state of the working class to assign low prices to the mass consumption goods.

The Party and the state of the working class should not reckon with the social value of the produce alone at all times for the reason that wherever commodity production and circulation exist, there operates the law of equivalent exchange, but see to it that low prices are assigned to mass consumption goods by deviating their prices from their values and more mass consumption goods are supplied to all the working people to steadily enhance the standards of their material and cultural life.

The idea of Comrade Kim Il Sung on assigning very low prices to mass consumption goods, goods for the children and school things is a scientific idea embodying the lawful requirements of socialist and communist construction to evenly enhance the livelihood of the people and the law-governing development of the relations of distribution in socialist society and a revolutionary idea maintaining a Marxist-Leninist principle in the fixing of prices.

This precisely means a proper use of the law of value to fit in with the essential requirements of the socialist system.

Comrade Kim Il Sung taught that, on the contrary, tobacco and drink, luxury goods and other things which are in limited supply as yet, should be priced higher than the mass consumption goods in order to adjust the demands for them.

This means that the Party and the state of the working class should not let the law of value go its own way on the plea that it operates objectively, but should make an active use of it for the improvement of the livelihood of the people, regulating the demands of the working people in a sound direction.

As seen above, thanks to Comrade Kim Il Sung's brilliant exposition of problems of the means of production in the form of commodity and the use of the law of value in socialist society, not only the data as to in what case the law of value operates in substance and in what case in form in socialist society have been perfectly clarified but concrete, scientific ways elucidated for properly using the law in each case.

The revolutionary idea of Comrade Kim Il Sung on commodity production and the law of value under socialism is a Marxist-Leninist guiding idea lighting the road for utilizing most correctly the commodity-money relations to suit the lawful requirements of the development of socialist economy.

This gives a decisive blow to Right opportunists who maintain that the means of production are commodities, steadily expand the commodity-money relations and overrate the importance of the use of the law of value and thus impel the economy towards the capitalist path and to "Left" opportunists who fail to streamline the enterprise management by totally ignoring commodity production and the role of the law of value.

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(The End)

Our Party and Government Del. Calls on President of Republic of Iraq

The Party and government delegation of our country headed by Yun Gi Bok, Member of the Central Committee of the Workers' Party of Korea and Minister of Finance, on a visit to the Republic of Iraq, called on Ahmed Hasan Al Bakr, President of the Republic of Iraq, on July 16, according to a report from Baghdad.

Head of the delegation Yun Gi Bok and President Ahmed Hasan Al Bakr had a friendly talk on the occasion.

(KCNA)

Korean People's Friendship Del. Visits Head of State of Syrian Arab Republic

The Korean people's friendship delegation headed by Anh Sung Hak, Minister of Commerce, on a friendship visit to Syria at the invitation of the Afro-Asian Solidarity Committee of the Syrian Arab Republic visited on July 16 Nureddin Attassi, Head of State of the Syrian Arab Republic, according to a report from Damascus.

Present on the occasion was Pak In Gun, Korean Ambassador to Syria.

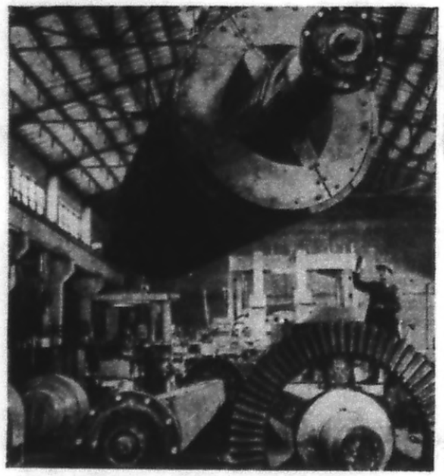
A friendly talk took place between Anh Sung Hak, Minister of Commerce, and Nureddin Attassi, Syrian Head of State. (KCNA)

Basic Industry Delegation of Cuba Arrives in Pyongyang

A delegation of basic industry of the Republic of Cuba headed by Manuel Aguilera, Vice-Minister of Basic Industry, arrived in Pyongyang on July 31 by air for a visit to our country.

Cuban Professor Here

Professor Angel Queveldo, head of the Worker-Peasant Department of Havana University in Cuba, arrived in Pyongyang on July 31 by air to visit our country.



Our machine-building plants are mass-producing mine equipment

Ranks of Yearly Plan Hitters Increase

Our working people who overfulfilled the national economic plan for the first half of the year are now successfully working on the task of fulfilling the yearly plan.

Recently glad news have reached us that ranks of yearly plan hitters keep increasing.

At the Saltern Where Comrade Jong Hi Gyong Works

The saltmakers at the saltern where Comrade Jong Hi Gyong works fulfilled at 102 per cent the yearly plan for salt set 1.2 times higher than that of last year as of July 13.

Last year, too, they carried out the yearly plan and fulfilled their assigned tasks of the seven-year plan with credit. Thus they were honored with a joint congratulatory message of the Central Committee of the Party and the Cabinet of the Republic. Inspired by this, the salters here made continued innovation and uninterrupted advance to boost salt output in the same spirit with which they fulfilled their plan for last year. This year, too, they were the first in the country to hit the yearly plan in the field of salt manufacture.

Following the instructions of the Leader on producing salt in an intensive way, this saltern strove to expand the area of evaporating pans and adjusted various machines and equipment from last winter. The battle for salt production started already in February under severe cold and the first quarter-year plan was fulfilled at 275 per cent. In this wake, they organized a 100-day battle and victoriously fulfilled their yearly plan as of July 13 despite unfavourable weather conditions.

They are making a vigorous advance in high spirits with the determination to add lustre to the honour of being salters true to the Party and the Leader by overfulfilling their yearly plan by 80 per cent by the 24th anniversary of the founding of the Workers' Party of Korea (October 10.).

At the Ore Mine Where Comrade Rim Hak Yun Works

The miners at the ore mine where Comrade Rim Hak Yun works have been waging an intense labour struggle to overfulfil their yearly plan before the founding anniversary of the Workers' Party of Korea. In this course many workshops and workteams have already carried out their yearly plans and recently the members of the Chollima repair workteam at the repair and maintenance shop have fulfilled their yearly plan.

They have secured accesories for air compressors and various other machines and equipment to be used for more than three months in the revolutionary spirit of self-reliance of the anti-Japanese guerillas who manufactured the "Yongil" bombs from the scratch to wipe out the enemy—the spirit to find what is lacking and to produce what is in short supply—and increased the utility rate of the equipment by 8 per cent compared with last year by establishing a thorough, planned repair system.

The miners here are now working in the same spirit and with the same stamina to fulfil their yearly plan 2.5 times by the year end.

At the Geological Prospecting Team Where Comrade Kim Ho In Works

The members of No. 9 test drilling platoon at the geological prospecting team where Comrade Kim Ho In works who have been raising high the flames of a great revolutionary upsurge from the beginning of the year with the determination to fulfil their plan for this year before the 24th anniversary of the founding of the Workers' Party of Korea, overfulfilled their yearly plan by 10 per cent as of July 10.

During this period, they unfolded a vigorous struggle to step up prospecting work taking as a guide the teachings given by the respected and beloved Leader Comrade Kim Il Sung to the field of geological survey.

The test drilling workers rose up as one man in the struggle to acquire more time of drill by raising the work efficiency of the equipment. Thus, this year they augmented the time of drill by 35 per cent on a monthly average compared with last year which rendered it possible to fulfill the plan for test drill two times every month.

The workers here who have fulfilled their yearly plan five months ahead of schedule are now making continued innovations and uninterrupted advance to discover more mineral deposits.

Everybody Studies

Shinmyong-ri in Ryanggang Province is known as a "next-to-the-sky" village. This remote mountain village 1,700 metres above sea-level is far off from the county seat.

In the pre-liberation days this village was far removed from civilization. The people here lived in hunger and rags and had not the slightest notion of school.

They were all illiterate and had to go a long way to have letters from their dear ones or relatives read.

But today things have changed. This village has become civilized. Agronomists and tractor drivers emerged from among young men of this village and the peasants here are now doing farming by scientific methods. All school-age children go to school.

All other remote villages present the same picture.

Our rising generation get free, compulsory education at well-appointed schools from full seven to the working age.

Primary compulsory education was introduced in August 1956.

The year of 1958 saw the introduction of compulsory secondary schooling for the first time in the East. Nine-year compulsory technical education was enforced in 1967 under the tense situation where we were conducting economic construction and defence upbuilding in parallel to provide against the intensifying new war machinations of the U.S. imperialists.

Our new generation are free from worry about school expenses. They don't even know the words tuition fees.

The state gives stipends to those students getting higher education.

In our country people, free from worries about food, clothing and housing and the education of children, have all equal opportunities to learn to their hearts' content and give full scope to their talents. The whole family, the whole village and the entire people, men and women and young and old, study.

In the past there were only a small number of middle schools and there was not a single university.

But today a ramified network of school spreads all over the country—towns, farm, fishing and mountain villages and isolated islands.

More than 9,260 schools of all levels including 98 institutions of higher learning have been set up thanks to the wise line of the respected and beloved Leader Comrade Kim Il Sung who gives priority to the education work and 2,690,000 students accounting for one-fourth of the population learn there.

A school was built for eleven children at the mountain village of Saengsu-dong in Pungsoh county.

Our schools are well furnished. To take the Shinhung middle school in Pyongyang for instance.

The engineering practice room of this school is equipped with more than ten machine tools and the engineering laboratory is furnished with models of machine produced in our country and many accessories of machines and instruments and jigs. All these facilities help pupils acquaint much know-how about machine in their school days.

The electric practice room is furnished with an automatic switchboard and other electric appliances. Here pupils learn the rudiments of electricity.

Our country ranks among those countries which are the world's highest in the percentage of students in the population and the proportion of expenses for school education in the state budgetary expenditure.

In the past those who had many children worried first about how to feed, dress and educate their sons. But today it is a pride to have many children. Parents feel happy to see their children study to their hearts' content and grow up healthily.

Spare-time education likewise is developing.

The spare-time educational institutions include factory colleges, factory high technical schools and evening and correspondence courses.

Our working people are studying while working according to the Party's line. Our workers and peasants are working people and, at the same time, they are students. All members of the Kim Myong Chol Chollima workteam of the enterprise where Comrade Hoh Yong Il works are studying at the college and high technical school.

Like this, in our country the door to learning is open wide for not only the younger generation but also all the working people.

Today our country boasts of an army of 420,000-odd technicians and specialists.

All these achievements have been attained in a little over two decades.

Our people tackle everything for themselves with their own technique, wisdom and faith.

There was not a single engineer at the enterprise where Comrade Hoh Yong Il works right after the country's liberation But today this plant has more than 1,000 technical personnel.

The rapid growth and development of our country are based on such successes and herein lies an earnest of our country's eternal prosperity.

The people of Shinmyong-ri say about the happiness of today "People said heaven would bring them good luck in the past, but now fortune smiles on the whole nation thanks to the favours of Premier Kim Il Sung."

This is the unanimous feeling of our entire people.

All successes in our education owe entirely to the wise leadership of our respected and beloved Leader Comrade Kim Il Sung and his profound care.

Our excellent education system under which everybody studies to his heart's content is a brilliant embodiment of the far-reaching education programme matured by the Leader during the anti-Japanese armed struggle in the 1930's.

Looking far ahead into the future, Comrade Kim Il Sung saw that schools were built first in the days right after the liberation when the country's economic conditions were still hard and in the difficult period immediately after the war when everything had been reduced to heaps of cinders and that schools were kept running to train personnel for the post-war rehabilitation in the fire of the fierce war. He has directed the best to the children and spared nothing for the younger generation.

The respected and beloved Leader Comrade Kim Il Sung pays close attention to everything arising from the education of the rising generation from the working out of the education policy down to the selection of school sites and even the colours of school uniforms.

Brighter is the future of the people of our country who have the great Leader, the wonderful education system provided by him and a high zeal for learning.

Ji Ryong Cha

Our younger generation are growing up into reserves of the revolution equipped with knowledge, high virtues and sound physique

All school-age children in the northern half of the Republic are enrolled in schools every year to get free education

Art Flowering among Workers

Sometime ago I had an opportunity to visit the workers' club of the factory where Comrade Baek Ui Myong works.

What struck my eyes first as I stepped into the club was the board on which Comrade Kim Il Sung's words are inscribed against the right wall, which read "Weaving is art."

These short words were reflective of the true aspects of work and life of the weavers in the Chollima era.

Comrade Kim Il Sung, the respected and beloved Leader, visited this factory several times to see that the weavers enjoyed a happy life full of songs and joy.

The director who met me said, "Our club is provided with every condition for thousands of workers to develop their talents according to their tastes."

Accompanied by the director I made a round of the hall. Really the club deserved to be called a cultural palace.

The library was well stocked with books and many musical instruments were put in order in the music circle rooms. And unfinished oil-paintings and painting instruments were seen here and there in the art circle room.

When I entered an amateur writers' room discussions were going on among the young men and girls about the script of drama. The director told me that these young men—Kim Yong Il, Choi Byong Son and others—were not only innovators in labour but renowned amateur writers of the factory circle.

On the holidays in April and September last year they had the honour of performing their song and dance ensemble "Chollima Weavers" at the Pyongyang Grand Theatre in the presence of the fatherly Leader.

This ensemble, one of their successful works, was the fruit of their collective wisdom, the director added.

Circle contests are often held at the club to stimulate the creative zeal of the workers. At the contests the circle members of the workshops and workteams put on the stage a colourful program—dramas, songs, dances, vocal and instrumental solos showing their proud achievements.

The group dance "My Happy Workplace" and the chorus "Seagulls on the Sea of Looms" they performed recently won a hearty acclaim of the audience.

The director introduced me a worker-trained composer, Kim Gon Do, a repairman of the equipment repair workshop.

He couldn't develop his talent under Japanese imperialists' colonial rule. It was not until the country was liberated and the workers became its masters that he learned music and played on musical instruments as much as he wished.

During the great Fatherland Liberation War he went to the front. The songs he composed in arduous battles inspired his comrades-in-arms to heroic feats. After the war he was demobilized and appointed to this factory. He has composed many songs since then and won several prizes at the national contests.

The factory directs much concern to improve the artistic ability of the circle members. Comrade Gon Do and many other workers had already finished the six-month short course organized by the Musicians' Union for the amateur composers. Now they regularly attend the amateur musicians' symposium which is held at the City Mass Hall of Culture once a week.

In our country, all people enjoy culture and art to their hearts' content. The state provides them with every condition for this. Many talented writers and artists are emerging from among workers.

It was late at night when I entered the reading-room of the library. Some workers were absorbed in studies, unaware of the passage of time.

They would give lectures, I was told, at the lecture meeting and symposium held at the club.

All other rooms of the club were brightly lit, where the workers were absorbed in creative work and studies.

A lively song flowed out of a room.

In an early spring day when azalea flowered
Our Premier whom we had so much wished to see has come.
We are weaving silks scurrying between looms
We are all beautiful sea-gulls
We are honourable sea-gulls weaving silks
The Leader calls us sea-gulls on the sea of looms.

This is a passage of the song "Sea-gulls Weaving Silks" which would be soon put on the stage.

I left the factory club, with a deep impression of the hopeful life of weavers who work and sing in the benevolent bosom of the Leader.

Hong Rae Hi

A scene from group dance "We're all combatants" performed by members of a workers' amateur art group

In South Korea

Hard Access to School

The youth and children in the northern half of the Republic are studying to their hearts' content according to their hope and with no worries under the wise guidance and warm solicitude of the fatherly Leader Marshal Kim Il Sung.

But the majority of youth and children in South Korea are undergoing calamities and sufferings owing to the reactionary colonial enslavement education policy of the U.S. imperialists and the puppet Pak Jung Hi clique. A large army of youth and children are roaming about streets. Even those who attend school are hard up for school expenses.

Growing School Expenses

The U.S. imperialists and the traitorous Pak Jung Hi clique, their lackeys, have reduced schools to an object of profiteering.

These scoundrels force upon students more than 60 kinds of "school impositions" and sundry fees.

They have steadily augmented these impositions and fees at schools of all levels. Last year the sum of these charges more than doubled as against 1965 and this year the tuition fee at middle school increased by 65 per cent over last year.

This year these scoundrels went the length of introducing the "system of admission to middle school on diploma." Under this system primary school pupils have to pay beforehand enormous "school impositions" to the middle schools which they wish to enter and "register themselves there in advance."

Even according to the publications of South Korea, a student must have 130,000 won to finish primary school, 120,000-140,000 won middle school, 350,000-370,000 won high school and 610,000-670,000 won college. Believe it or not, a student must have 1.2-1.3 million won until he graduates from college.

To earn this colossal sum of money an ordinary South Korean worker has to work for more than 30 years.

It is obvious from this that the overwhelming majority of the South Korean poor residents living from hand to mouth cannot finance their children through schools.

Naturally, the bulk of youth and children are unable to go to school. The conditions of students are not better. Heavy burden of school expenses causes various tragedies among them. Some sell blood or eyeballs.

Here is one of such cases: a girl surnamed Kim in Ryongsan-dong, Ryongsan District, Seoul, went to the Seoul railway hospital and asked it to buy her eyeball for her younger brother's education.

More and more students are leaving schools halfway, because of school expenses.

Last year in the Ryongnam and Honam areas over 300,000 students were driven out of schools on account of failure to pay "school impositions" and other fees.

Every year more than 250,000 children are expelled from primary schools.

Now over 2.7 million school-age children are tramping the streets.

Awful Study Conditions

The U.S. imperialists and the puppet Pak Jung Hi band intensify the plunder of the people through schools but do not repair schools. So many South Korean schools are ramshackle.

Most of existing classrooms require immediate repairs.

To take some examples. More than 70 per cent of the primary school buildings in Cholla Provinces are on the verge of collapse.

According to a report, the building of the Munchang primary school in Seoul is too old and rickety. So it is supported with posts. Pupils run out of their classrooms into the playground when it squeaks in rainy or windy weather.

Last year during the lesson the ceiling of a high commercial school in South Kyongsang Province fell in and 600-odd students jumped down from the second storey. Many of them were wounded.

Worse is the case with the Kudok girls' middle school in Pusan. For want of the classrooms, more than 1,000 school girls now cannot get lessons.

Far from repairing school buildings, however, the puppet Pak Jung Hi clique requisition not a few usable school buildings for soldiers' billets.

This caused a great shortage of classrooms: a classroom accomodates 120-160 students on an average and, to boot, lessons are given in four or five shifts and even in the "open air."

Because of the gangsters' cruel repression and maltreatment of teachers, schools at every level are seriously short of teachers.

Therefore, "lesson without teachers" are held. And not a few schools have closed their door for teachers shortage.

In those schools whose study conditions are rather good, the students cannot acquair advanced sciences and knowledge owing to the cruel repression by U.S. imperialism and the puppet Pak Jung Hi gang and the decadent American way of life and national nihilistic education imposed upon them.

That is why the South Korean youth and students, revering boundlessly the great Leader of the 40 million Korean people Marshal Kim Il Sung who affords every opportunity of learning to all people in the northern half of the Republic, are valiantly fighting against the U.S. imperialists and the puppet Pak Jung Hi band to hasten the day when they will study happily in his bosom in a unified country.

Choi Gun Son

People of Broader Strata Fight in Various Parts of South Korea

Recently South Korean people of all circles have been vigorously waging various forms of struggle against the American imperialists and the puppet Pak Jung Hi clique.

The struggle of the South Korean students against the U.S. imperialist-manipulated long-term "office" plot of the puppet Pak Jung Hi band lasted for more than one month from June 12 and developed into a mass, anti-fascist democratization struggle sweeping the whole area of South Korea.

Everywhere the students adopted resolutions and declarations sternly exposing and denouncing the enemy's criminal intrigues and staged street demonstrations everyday, clashing with the puppet police.

The streets of Seoul and other cities of South Korea shook with angry cries of student demonstrators: "We oppose the constitutional revision for the third election," "Democratize schools," "Discontinue immediately intelligence government and terror rule," "Relieve people of dire straits," "Let's grip the operating knife more tightly," "Freedom," "Justice" and "Democracy."

The puppet police tried desperately to break up students' demonstrations throwing manifold cordons. But the students paraded through the streets knocking down the puppet policemen and destroyed puppet police organs. Thus, they demonstrated the militant stamina of Korean youth.

Many citizens also joined in the just struggle of students.

Through their valiant struggle the South Korean students once again showed clearly their ardent patriotic spirit and unflinching resolve to overthrow the bestial fascist terror rule of the U.S. imperialists and their stooges, win democracy and uphold the honour of the nation — one of the most urgent demands of the South Korean people at present.

The struggle of workers in South Korea for existence and democratic rights has become more active.

In May, angered at the national insult and persecution by the Yankee imperialist troops, some 40,000 South Korean workers hired at the U.S. imperialist aggressor army organs simultaneously staged disputes, lodging a protest with the boss of the American imperialist occupationist army.

Synchronizing with this, over 9,000 longshoremen in Inchon and Pusan went on strike for wage hike in sympathy with their colleagues of other ports.

More than 400,000 South Korean workers held mass rallies in opposition to the puppet Pak Jung Hi clique's "low-wage policy" and intrigue of the retrogressive revision of the "labour standards law" in Seoul, Inchon, Taegu, Taejon, Pusan and Chonju and issued "declarations" expressing their resolve to continue their struggle until their demands are met.

Similar large-scale struggles have broken out in succession recently everywhere in South Korea.

The peasants have put up active fights against the heinous predatory policy of the U.S. imperialists and the puppet Pak Jung Hi gang.

According to a report, some 36,000 farmers in Sachon county, South Kyongsang Province whose farmland was damaged and seized by the puppet Pak Jung Hi clique staged demonstrations and stay-ins, demanding the puppet clique to "compensate for lost land" and "secure living."

They armed themselves with bamboo-spears and stormed the ruling organs of the puppet clique in Jinju at a long distance, and destroyed them and beat up the wicked officials there.

The tillers in Tongrae district, Pusan, and Tamyang county, South Cholla Province, fought for several days on end pelting at the enemy who tried to extort land from them by force under the pretext of "land readjustment."

Petty urban inhabitants and small and medium traders have waged various forms of struggle for the right to live and for their business activity.

The anti-fascist democratization fights waged on a larger scale by the people of different strata for existence and democratic rights are going on in close connection with the revolutionary struggle of the South Korean revolutionaries and patriots for the liberation of South Korea and the country's unification.

This is the inevitable outcome of the 20-year-old heinous colonial rule of U.S. imperialism.

Nevertheless, the U.S. imperialists and the puppet Pak Jung Hi clique cruelly suppress the fighting people by mobilizing heavily armed puppet policemen on a large scale.

Their brutal repression of the mass movement of the people for winning the democratic rights and freedom is no more than a death-bed struggle of those whose days are numbered.

With no amount of fascist repression can the enemy check the struggle of the broad masses of the South Korean people who have realized through their own 20-year-long bitter experiences that they cannot live under the colonial rule any longer as in the past.

The South Korean people will surely win the final victory by linking up their struggles with the anti-U.S. national-salvation struggle to sweep away the U.S. imperialists and the puppet Pak Jung Hi band.

Maritime Transport Workers of South Korea Call Strike for Wage Hike

Maritime transport workers hired at the "Daehan Shipping Company" of South Korea called a strike on July 30 putting up a four-point demand including a 35 per cent wage increase, according to a radio report from Seoul.

Owing to the mass struggle of the workers, the ships of the company were bottled up in Pusan, Inchon and other ports and shipping is paralyzed, the report said.

As already reported, the workers had struggled for months against the harsh exploitation by the vallainous employer who is hand in glove with the Pak Jung Hi puppet clique and for a 35 per cent wage hike and the conclusion of a collective agreement.

But the villainous enterprise owner, far from accepting the just demands of the workers, further intensified exploitation. This infuriated the workers and led them to call a strike.

Long-term "Office" Scheme of Pak Jung Hi Puppet Clique Becomes More Undisguised

According to reports from Seoul, puppet Pak Jung Hi issued on July 25 a "special statement" and revealed in all nakedness his intention to "remain in power" for a long time. In his "statement" he instructed openly his "Republican Party" to submit the "draft bill for the revision of the constitution" to the puppet national assembly at an early date.

At this instruction, the followers of traitor Pak Jung Hi are said to submit on August 8 the "draft bill for the revision of the constitution" to the puppet national assembly.

This shows clearly that the frantic long-term "office" scheme of traitor Pak Jung Hi, the dirty dog of U.S. imperialism, has assumed serious dimensions.

The ever-intensifying long-term "office" scheme of the Pak Jung Hi puppet clique is a planned plot hatched entirely according to the playbook prepared by the U.S. imperialists and at their direct bidding.

The U.S. imperialist aggressors who instigated the Pak Jung Hi puppet clique to stage the robberish May 16, 1961 military coup have regarded traitor Pak Jung Hi as their most pliant tool and executor of their war policy.

They want to prop up their tottering colonial rule and further intensify their policy of aggression and war by making the arch traitor Pak Jung Hi "stay in power" for a long time.

Traitor Pak Jung Hi, faithful to his patron, not only has put all the manpower and material resources of South Korea at the disposal of the U.S. imperialist aggressors but also turned South Korea into a living hell where poverty and terrorism and brutal murder of people prevail.

Pak Jung Hi is the archest quisling and most cruel man-butcher of all successive South Korean puppets of the U.S. imperialists.

The Pak Jung Hi band who have imposed upon the South Korean people unheard-of misfortunes and sufferings have long worked to "remain in power" for a long time at the instigation of the U.S. imperialists to prolong their dirty life and force upon the South Korean people more terrible sufferings and misfortunes.

That is why the South Korean people are fighting resolutely to smash the long-term "office" scheme of the Pak Jung Hi puppet clique.

Particularly in these months South Korean people and students waged fierce struggles of various forms such as mass street parade and sit-in, demonstrating their firm fighting spirit to thoroughly smash the long-term "office" scheme of the Pak Jung Hi puppet band and dealing heavy blows to the U.S. imperialists and their stooges.

Utterly scared by this, the American imperialists and the Pak Jung Hi puppet clique suppressed brutally at the point of the bayonet all the forces who are in the way of carrying out their plot and are now intensifying more openly their long-term "office" scheme.

The long-term "office" scheme of the Pak Jung Hi puppet clique carried forward despite the unanimous opposition of the South Korean people shows more glaringly that the colonial rule of the U.S. imperialists faces a serious crisis.

The frantic long-term "office" scheme is also only spelling the doom of traitor Pak Jung Hi.

The heroic people of South Korea who toppled the Syngman Rhee dictatorial regime that fabricated fraudulent "elections" for the long-term "office" of Syngman Rhee at the bidding of the U.S. imperialists nine years ago will never tolerate the long-term "office" scheme of traitor Pak Jung Hi, the arch quisling and fascist hangman exceeding Syngman Rhee by far.

Kim Gwang Su

Famine-Stricken South Korean Countryside

Today, under the wise leadership of the respected and beloved Leader of the 40 million Korean people Comrade Kim Il Sung exploitation and oppression, centuries-old backwardness and starvation have been liquidated in the northern half of the Republic for good and it has turned into a powerful socialist country with an advanced industry and modern agriculture.

Our socialist countryside is flourishing along the bright road indicated by Comrade Kim Il Sung in his "Theses on the Socialist Rural Question in Our Country", the great Marxist-Leninist agricultural programme, and the peasants are enjoying a rich and cultured life in the socialist modern countryside free from crop failure forever.

The northern half of the Republic is in striking contrast to South Korea which has become a complete colony and military base of U.S. imperialism. The South Korean countryside is going headlong toward ruin. It has turned into a zone of chronic famine where starvation and poverty prevail and an acute shortage of grain is felt.

The respected and beloved Leader Comrade Kim Il Sung said as follows:

"The plunder and exploitation by the U.S. imperialists and landlords have ruined South Korean agriculture to the extreme. The arable land and sown area are steadily decreasing, and agricultural production is still based on backward, mediaeval farming techniques. Thus, South Korea, a former granary, has been turned into a zone of chronic famine which has to import 4-5 million *sok* of U.S. surplus grain every year."

Worst Food Crisis

At present worst food crisis has been created in South Korea.

Even according to the data released by the puppet authorities over 2,250,000 farm households or 90 per cent of the total have run out of food.

This year's food famine, a continuation since the early autumn of last year, is not limited to any one village or any one area, but sweeps the whole area of South Korea.

Worse than any other areas is the situation in the Samnam areas known as the traditional biggest granary producing 65 per cent of the total grain produce and inhabited by 60 per cent of the total farm households in South Korea.

As of January this year the number of foodless peasants in Janghung county, South Cholla Province, accounted for 60 per cent of the total farm households, while 67 per cent in Jongup county, North Cholla Province, and 90 per cent in Kochang county, South Kyongsang Province, were left foodless.

The situation is similar in Kangwon Province, a mountainous zone: 100 per cent in Samchok county and 50 per cent in Linje county ran out of provisions.

The story is more dismal with the inhabitants on the islands in Kyonggi Province and on the South Sea who are engaged in semi-agro, semi-fishery. By the end of January, almost all islanders were left foodless.

They would live on marine plants from March to June every year but this year their harvest was bad, a record year in fifty years. Now they found it hard to make a living.

Middle peasants fare no better. The majority of middle peasants have been compelled to give up even the education of their children because of food shortage.

Take Ryochon county, South Cholla Province, as an example. Some 2,600 children of middle peasants had to give up their entrance into middle school.

In South Korea shortage of food and famine are not a chance phenomenon but a permanent one and it has been taking a turn for worse with each passing day.

Especially, after the Pak Jung Hi military hooligans took the "power" the number of foodless peasants increased rapidly. In 1964 the number stood at about 60 per cent of the total farm households. Last year the figure rose to 80 per cent accounting for over 2 million farm households. In March this year the figure hit the highest mark in history—90 per cent.

Thus, millions of foodless peasants are wandering about mountains and fields in search of tree bark and grass roots.

Under this situation more and more peasants are quitting their farmland and roaming about begging.

Such ruinous state of the countryside has inevitably led to skyrocketing of rice price in urban

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"We, Together with Korean Brothers, Demand Immediate Withdrawal of U.S. Imperialist Aggressor Troops from South Korea"

World Public Actively Support the Just Struggle of the Korean People on the Occasion of the "Month of Anti-U.S. Joint Struggle for the Withdrawal of the U.S. Imperialist Aggression Army from South Korea"

On the occasion of the "month of anti-U.S. joint struggle for the withdrawal of the U.S. imperialist aggression army from South Korea" the world public strongly condemned the occupation of South Korea by the U.S. imperialists and voiced their active support for the righteous struggle of the Korean people.

In Pakistan

The Dacca Branch of the Pakistan-Korea Friendship Association had a rally in the "month of anti-U.S. joint struggle for the withdrawal of the U.S. imperialist aggression army from South Korea."

The rally was attended by functionaries of the association and many public figures. Azmary, Vice-Chairman of the Dacca Branch of the Pakistan-Korea Friendship Association, spoke at the rally.

The rally unanimously adopted a resolution flaying the U.S. imperialist aggressors and supporting the struggle of the Korean people.

The resolution underscored:

Our independence cannot be consolidated as long as the U.S. imperialist aggressor troops remain in Asia or any other parts of the world.

We, together with the Korean brothers, demand the immediate withdrawal of the U.S. imperialist aggressor troops from South Korea.

Statement of Pan-African Congress of Azania

P.K. Leballo, Acting Chairman and National Secretary of the Pan-African Congress of Azania (South Africa), issued recently a statement expressing full support to the just struggle of the Korean people on behalf of his congress.

The statement lambasted the aggressive acts of the U.S. imperialists against the Korean people and continued:

The righteous struggle of the 40 million Korean people against the U.S. imperialists and their puppets is part of the struggle of the world people against imperialism, old and new colonialism, Zionism and racism.

The struggle of the Korean people against U.S. imperialism constitutes a great help and support to the struggle of the Azanian people who are waging the revolutionary war against U.S. imperialism, the common enemy.

We are firmly convinced that the Korean people under the wise and dynamic leadership of Marshal Kim Il Sung will defeat the U.S. imperialist aggressors, liberate South Korea and unify the country without fail.

In Portuguese Guinea

According to a report from Conakry, the show of our film dedicated to the "month of anti-U.S. joint struggle for the withdrawal of the U.S. imperialist aggression army from South Korea" took place on July 2 at the Portuguese Guinean School.

Present at the show were Vrido, the principal of the school, and teachers and many fighters of Portuguese Guinea.

Prior to the film show principal Vrido made a speech. He said that the people of Portuguese Guinea warmly support the Korean people who are, under the guidance of the great Leader Marshal Kim Il Sung, fighting heroically against U.S. imperialism, on the occasion of the month of solidarity with the Korean people in their struggle for the withdrawal of the U.S. imperialist aggressor troops from South Korea and the unification of their country, and emphasized:

The people of Portuguese Guinea value the friendship and solidarity with the Korean people. The just cause of the Korean people will surely win.

Palestinian People

The Iraqi Branch of the General Federation of the Unions of Palestine Workers held a meeting on July 3 to express firm militant solidarity with the struggle of the Korean people against the U.S. imperialist aggressors.

A portrait of Comrade Kim Il Sung, the great Leader of the 40 million Korean people, was respectfully placed on the background of the platform at the meeting place.

The meeting was addressed by the representatives of the Palestine Liberation Organization and of the Palestine Liberation Movement and the representatives of workers and students.

The speakers noted that the Korean people inflicted a shameful defeat upon the U.S. imperialists in the last Fatherland Liberation War and won a historic victory. They further stated that the U.S. imperialist aggressors had to kneel down before the strong will and determination of the Korean people who are under the wise guidance of the great Leader Premier Kim Il Sung.

They unanimously expressed their active support for the righteous struggle of the Korean people against the U.S. imperialists and their stooges.

The meeting adopted a statement evincing militant solidarity with the just struggle of the Korean people.

In Laos

A rally supporting the struggle of the Korean people against the U.S. imperialist aggressors and for the independent unification of their country was convoked on June 23, in Samnua.

Present at the rally were representatives of the Central Committee of the Neo Lao Haksat, representatives of the Committee of the Union of the Laotian Patriotic Neutralist Forces, representatives of the Afro-Asian Solidarity Committee of Laos, representatives of the Laotian patriotic armed forces, cadres of the organs under the Neo Lao Haksat and a great number of representatives of people of all strata. Many representatives delivered speeches at the rally.

The speakers all bitterly condemned the U.S. imperialist aggressors who are hell-bent on preparations for a new war, demanded the immediate withdrawal of the U.S. imperialist aggressor army from South Korea and expressed full support to the struggle of the Korean people to unify their country.

A resolution was adopted unanimously at the rally.

The resolution stressed that the Democratic People's Republic of Korea is a sovereign, independent socialist state and none of the countries in the world has the right to violate the independence and sovereignty of the Korean people.

The resolution went on:

We are firmly convinced that the Korean people who are marching along the correct political line under the wise leadership of the Workers' Party of Korea and the Government of the Democratic People's Republic of Korea headed by the respected and beloved Leader Comrade Kim Il Sung and who are enjoying the extensive support of the peoples in the socialist countries and the peace and justice-loving peoples the world over, will surely win the victory in their righteous struggle for liberating South Korea and unifying their country.

"World Conference Against Danger of a New War and for Peace" and Plenary Meeting of the World Peace Council

The "World Conference against the Danger of a New War and for Peace" held in Berlin stated in the report of its sectional meeting which discussed the problem of colonialism, neo-colonialism and national independence:

The U.S. imperialists are illegally occupying South Korea, which is the typical form of neo-colonialism. The U.S. imperialists must get out of South Korea at once. The problem of Korea's unification should be solved peacefully by the Korean people themselves without any outside interference on a democratic basis.

The Plenary Meeting of the World Peace Council held following the world conference adopted unanimously an appeal supporting the struggle of the Korean people.

The appeal said:

The U.S. imperialists who have been illegally occupying South Korea for more than 20 years now have converted it into their complete colony and nuclear military base. The U.S. imperialists are hell-bent on the preparations for a new aggressive war in Korea, wantonly wrecking and violating the Korean Armistice Agreement.

The World Peace Council strongly demands the immediate withdrawal from South Korea of the U.S. imperialist aggressor troops which are occupying illegally South Korea under the signboard of the "U.N. Forces."

The World Peace Council demands that the U.N. not be used as a tool of the U.S. imperialists for aggression any longer, cancel all its "resolutions" on the "Korean question" illegally adopted so far and take measures to dissolve the "U.N. Commission for the Unification and Rehabilitation of Korea" without delay.

Swedish Paper Demands Establishment of Diplomatic Relations with DPRK

A recent issue of the Swedish paper **Aftonbladet** demanded its government to establish diplomatic relations with our country, according to a report from Stockholm.

The paper pointed out that the Democratic People's Republic of Korea "has everything characterizing a sovereign state" and said that it is a serious matter for Sweden to fail to establish diplomatic relations with the Democratic People's Republic of Korea, and "this question should be settled as early as possible, on the initiative of Sweden."

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areas. This threats the livelihood of millions of unemployed workers and poor people.

Faced with such developments the U.S. imperialists and the Pak Jung Hi puppet clique have established a "rigid censorship over the press" lest the true nature should be exposed.

Meanwhile, in order to abate the discontent of peasants and their growing tendency to resistance they create a false impression as if the root cause of food shortage and famine lies in the natural calamities. They prattle people are utterly powerless to cope with these "calamities."

It is nothing but a stereotyped artifice to cover up their crime of having driven the South Korean peasants into such a miserable plight as today.

Inevitable Outcome of Reactionary Agricultural Policy and Policy of Cruel Plunder

The shortage of food the South Korean peasants are suffering today is the inevitable product of the colonial predatory policy and the anti-popular agricultural policy the U.S. imperialists and their stooges have pursued for more than 20 years.

The maintenance of the colonial and semi-feudal exploitation system which retards the development of agricultural productivity and its protection and promotion, expropriation of arable land and forced drafting of rural labour following the war policy, disasters resulting from the destruction of irrigation system and reckless deforestation and acidization of land and spreading of insect pests—all these are the inevitable cause for systematically reducing agricultural production.

The intensified war policy and the militarization of the economy conducted by the U.S. imperialists and the Pak Jung Hi puppet clique in the recent years are enmeshing the South Korean agriculture in a deeper abyss.

The U.S. imperialists and their stooges who have already expropriated more than 100,000 *jongbo* of farm land for military purposes again plundered recently as many as 40,000 *jongbo* of arable land in the Honam area alone for the building of military airfields and "express highways," subordinating all the manpower and material resources of South Korea wholly to the execution of the war policy. Thus, the area under crop has decreased by 200,000 *jongbo*, and the sown area by 400,000 *jongbo* compared with the days before the country's liberation on August 15, 1945.

Countless rural adults have been pressganged into the puppet army and "local reserve corps" to serve as cannon-fodder for the aggressive war of U.S. imperialism.

The U.S. imperialists and the Pak Jung Hi puppet clique are also impelling the rural youth into the construction site for military installations under the name of "territorial upbuilding corps."

The destruction and stagnation of agricultural productive forces have caused a sharp decline in production. Even according to the heavily doctored figures released by the U.S. imperialists and the Pak Jung Hi clique, grain output in 1967 dropped two-thirds of the pre-liberation days. Grain output last year was 17 million *sok* below the usual figures, bringing the shortage of food this year to 25 million *sok*.

In spite of all this, the U.S. imperialists and the Pak Jung Hi puppet clique are squeezing out over 65 per cent of military expenditures from the peasants. The low rice price policy pursued by them makes the situation of the countryside worse. All these predatory acts have been conducted under the deceptive names of "agriculture first policy" and "modernization of agriculture."

The U.S. imperialists and the Pak Jung Hi puppet clique have taken away grain twice as much as last year. These bastards are now forcing the hungry peasants to clear off at a time the debts which have remained overdue since 1963, increasing absurdly all kinds of taxes such as "land tax", "irrigation tax" and "house tax".

All this eloquently testifies to the fact that the serious shortage of food and mass famine in the South Korean countryside are by no means attributable to any natural calamities, but are the reactionary agricultural policy and vicious plunder pursued by the U.S. imperialists and their stooges.

The respected and beloved Leader Comrade Kim Il Sung said:

"Where there are exploitation and oppression, there always breaks out the revolutionary struggle of the people."

Unable to live any longer that way under the colonial rule of U.S. imperialism and fascist terror rule of the Pak Jung Hi puppet clique the peasants and the entire people in South Korea have risen up in the anti-U.S. national-salvation struggle for freedom and liberation and the independent unification of the country.

Sure victory will go to the peasants and the entire people in South Korea who, arming themselves firmly with the great revolutionary ideas of Comrade Kim Il Sung, are fighting to carry out thoroughly the strategic and tactical line of the South Korean revolution and the unification of the fatherland set forth by him.

Jin Bang Hun

Korean People Will Always Fight Side by Side with Cuban People

Pyongyang City Meeting Held in Honour of the 16th Anniversary of the Armed Uprising of the Cuban People

A grand Pyongyang city meeting in honour of the 16th anniversary of the glorious July 26th armed uprising which represented a landmark in the national liberation struggle of the Cuban people, took place at the open-air theatre in the Moranbong Youth Park on July 25 under the co-sponsorship of the Pyongyang City People's Committee and the Korea-Cuba Solidarity Committee.

The meeting place was full up with working people, servicemen and youth and students in the city. It was decorated with the slogans: "Long live the 16th anniversary of the armed uprising of the heroic Cuban people!" "Long live the everlasting friendship and solidarity between the peoples of Korea and Cuba!" "Let us intensify the anti-imperialist, anti-U.S. struggle!" and a poster showing the world revolutionary people thrusting bayonets into the hearts of the U.S. imperialist aggressors, the truculent murderers of present times and the mortal enemy of the Korean people, and another poster portraying today's Moncada that has been rebuilt as a modern city for the students in memory of the fighters who gave their lives for the sake of their country Cuba.

Respectfully placed on the background of the platform were the portraits of Comrade Kim Il Sung and Comrade Fidel Castro. Also hung side by side were the national flags of Korea and Cuba symbolizing the unbreakable militant friendship and solidarity between the two countries.

Alongside of the national flags were the slogans: "Long live the respected and beloved Leader of the 40 million Korean people Comrade Kim Il Sung!" and "Long live Comrade Fidel Castro, the Supreme Leader of the Cuban people!"

Present at the meeting were Comrades Pak Sung Chul, Li Jong Ok, Jong Jun Taek and Han Ik Su; Jon Chang Chol, Chairman of the Central Committee of the General Federation of Trade Unions of Korea; Li Rim Su, Chairman of the Central Committee of the Union of Agricultural Working People of Korea; Kim Gwan Sop, Acting Chairman of the Korean Committee for Cultural Relations with Foreign Countries; Kim Jong Suk, Vice-Chairman of the Korea-Cuba Solidarity Committee and Vice-Chairman of the Central Committee of the League of Socialist Working Youth of Korea; Jang Chol, Member of Korea-Cuba Solidarity Committee and Vice-Minister of Culture; and Li Sang Son, Vice-Chairman of the Pyongyang City People's Committee.

The meeting was attended by more than 20,000 people.

Invited to the meeting were Ambassador Basilio Rodriguez Rodriguez of the Republic of Cuba to Korea and staff members of the Cuban embassy and Cuban guests staying in our country.

The meeting opened with the playing of the national anthem of Cuba and the Patriotic Song of our country.

Comrade Li Jong Ok, Vice-Premier of the Cabinet, addressed the meeting.

He was followed by Cuban Ambassador Basilio Rodriguez Rodriguez.

The meeting passed a message addressed to the Cuban people in the name of its attendants amid thunderous applause.

The attendants of the meeting firmly determined to make every effort for further strengthening the relations of friendship and coopération with the Cuban people and fight on always shoulder to shoulder with the Cuban people in the struggle against the U.S. imperialist aggressors, the common enemy, and for the victory of the cause of socialism and communism, holding aloft the banner of Marxism-Leninism, and the banner of proletarian internationalism and the banner of anti-imperialist, anti-U.S. struggle.

The meeting closed with the playing of the "Internationale."

Korean People Will Actively Support Laotian People in Their Just Struggle

Pyongyang City Mass Rally Held in Support of the Anti-U.S. National-Salvation Struggle of the Laotian People

A Pyongyang city mass rally supporting and encouraging the anti-U.S. national-salvation struggle of the Laotian people was held on July 22 under the co-sponsorship of the Pyongyang City People's Committee, the Central Committee of the Democratic Front for the Unification of the Fatherland, the Korean National Peace Committee and the Korean Committee for Asian-African Solidarity on the occasion of the 7th anniversary of the conclusion of the Geneva agreements on Laos.

Respectfully placed on the background of the platform of the meeting place was a portrait of Comrade Kim Il Sung, the respected and beloved Leader of the 40 million Korean people. Also hung there were the national flag of our country and the flag of the Neo Lao Haksat symbolic of the indestructible militant solidarity between the peoples of Korea and Laos.

Present at the meeting were Li Guk Ro and Choi Won Taek, Members of the Presidium of the Central Committee of the Democratic Front for the Unification of the Fatherland, Ro Byong Wu, Minister of Land Upbuilding, and responsible functionaries of public organisations, and working people and youths and students of the city.

The meeting was addressed by Kim Sang Jun, Vice-Chairman of the Korean National Peace Committee and Vice-Chairman of the Korean Committee for Asian-African Solidarity.

Referring to great victories that the Laotian people under the correct leadership of the Neo Lao Haksat headed by Prince Souphanouvong have already achieved in their anti-U.S. national-salvation struggle, he stressed that these victories constitute a great inspiration to the Asian, African and Latin-American peoples in the struggle against imperialism and colonialism.

The speaker bitterly denounced the U.S. imperialist aggressors who are bringing in their aggressor troops and mercenaries and war supplies in a big way and are committing without hesitation the criminal act of intensifying the bombing raids on the liberated areas of Laos and even using the toxic chemicals, far from drawing a due lesson from the miserable defeats they have sustained in Laos.

He said that these aggressive acts on the part of U.S. imperialism are an outrageous criminal act of wrecking the 1962 Geneva agreements on Laos and infringing upon her sovereignty and are a grave menace to peace in Indo-China and the world.

He stated that the anti-U.S. national-salvation struggle of the Laotian patriotic armed forces and the Laotian people that, under the correct leadership of the Neo Lao Haksat, are smashing every move of the U.S. imperialists and their jackals to escalate the war in Laos, is a sacred struggle for national independence and liberation and a righteous struggle for peace in Indo-China and the world.

He went on:

The Laotian question is the internal affair of the Laotian people and it must be solved by the Laotian people themselves without any interference of the U.S. imperialists.

The U.S. imperialist aggressors must stop their intervention in Laos, fully respect the sovereignty, independence, neutrality, unification and territorial integrity of Laos, unconditionally discontinue the bombing of the liberated areas and all the aggressive acts against them, strictly observe the 1962 Geneva agreements on Laos, and immediately withdraw from Laos.

Should the U.S. imperialists continue to expand their aggressive war in Laos they will suffer more heavier blows.

The Korean people will, in the future too, as in the past, actively support and encourage the Laotian people in the just anti-U.S. national-salvation struggle and fight on shoulder to shoulder with them forever.

Delegation of Italian Communist Youth League Arrives in Pyongyang

A delegation of the Italian Communist Youth League arrived here on July 25 by air for a visit to our country at the invitation of the Central Committee of the League of Socialist Working Youth of Korea. The delegation is headed by Gianfranco Borghini, General Secretary of the Central Committee of the Italian Communist Youth League.

Algerian Guests Visit Korea

A delegation of the Algeria-Korea Friendship Latouraoui Ali Veteran Fighters' Cooperative Farm and the Patrice Lumumba Martyrs' Children School headed by Oumata Ghali, Director of the Patrice Lumumba Martyrs' Children School of Algeria, arrived here on July 31 by air for a visit to our country at the invitation of the Agricultural Commission.

Delegation of Young Communist League of England Arrives Here

A delegation of the Young Communist League of England headed by Thomas Arthur Bell, Secretary of the National Committee of the Young Communist League of England, arrived here for a visit to our country at the invitation of the Central Committee of the League of Socialist Working Youth of Korea.

Delegation of Council in Defence of Human Rights of Koreans in Japan Arrives

A delegation of the Council in Defence of Human Rights of Koreans in Japan headed by Kazuyoshi Saito, Director of the Japan International Lawyers' Liaison Council, arrived here for a visit to our country at the invitation of the Korean Society for Cultural Relations with Foreign Countries.

Aim of Bellicose Nixon Clique's Asian Tour: Aggression and War

Nixon, the villainous chieftain of U.S. imperialism, notorious "anti-communist" and war-maniac, set out on the powder-reeking tour of Asia, leading a batch of his high-ranking yesmen including state secretary Rogers.

According to foreign dispatches, the fiendish Nixon is to go to the Philippines, Thailand and some southeast and southwest Asian countries from July 25 and the scoundrel Rogers, such puppet and satellite countries as Japan, South Korea, Taiwan, Australia, New Zealand.

The trip of the war-maniac Nixon following his advent to power to Asian puppet and satellite countries is connected with the total bankruptcy of the U.S. imperialists' Asian strategy and their difficult situation in this region which has worsened as never before.

The current Nixon clique's tour of Asia is aimed at saving the "Asian anti-communist military alliance system" from collapse and forming a new "anti-communist military alliance" with the Japanese militarists as its backbone for stepping up their Asian aggression.

Comrade Kim Il Sung taught:

"The basic strategy of the U.S. imperialists in their Asian aggression is to blockade and attack the Asian socialist countries, stem the rapid growth of the revolutionary forces and prop up their colonial rule in Asia by concentrating more and more U.S. military force in this region and mobilizing the forces of Japanese militarism and their satellite countries and puppets." ("The Present Situation and the Tasks of Our Party," English ed., p. 4.)

Upon installing himself in the administration, the war-maniac Nixon who was an active champion of the "position of strength" policy from before his assumption of presidency has launched upon the intensification of the policy of aggression and war in Asia, prattling that the United States must remain in Asia as a powerful force.

The war-monger's current trip to Asia pursues the sinister aim of directing and powerfully accelerating the execution of the criminal aggression and war policy himself on the spot.

Through the current Asian tour the Nixon clique also seek to further strengthen the "anti-communist military alliance system" of their Asian puppets and satellite countries and make it serve more faithfully the execution of their policy of Asian aggression.

From the first days of his rise to power Nixon who was a direct participator in the formation of such "anti-communist" military alliances as "SEATO" and "CENTO" has madly accelerated the organization of an "Asian anti-communist military alliance" to use their Asian puppets and satellites more effectively for their aggression, while forcing their Asian puppets and satellites to bear heavier burdens in Asian aggression, saying that "the Asian question should be settled by the Asians" and that it is "necessary" to establish an "Asia's own system of security."

The American imperialists also seek desperately to form a single aggressive military alliance system in Asia and use Japanese militarism revived by them as a "shock force" in promoting their plan for Asian aggression.

Nixon's dispatch of Rogers to South Korea is designed to hatch a plot to further strengthen the military alliance of the Japanese militarists and the South Korean puppets, draw the Japanese militarists in another aggressive war in Korea and more effectively use them as the "core" of the "Asian anti-communist military alliance" and as the "shock force" in Asian aggression.

According to foreign dispatches, the Nixon gang's current trip to Asia is also aimed at carrying forward the sinister plan to drag more countries into the "Asian anti-communist military alliance" directly or indirectly.

All this shows that the Asian tour of the boss of U.S. imperialism Nixon and his outfit is a tour of completely aggressive, criminal war designed to further boost up and more closely line up their Asian puppets and satellites and thereby further intensify the war of aggression in Vietnam and create a situation favourable for the provocation of a new war in Korea and to achieve the aim of Asian aggression by arresting the march of the anti-U.S., anti-imperialist national-liberation struggle in Asia.

The Nixon band's trip to Asia is an unpardonable provocation against all the peoples of Asia fighting for national independence and liberation and democracy and socialism and it is an outrageous criminal act menacing Asian security and world peace.

The Korean people bitterly slate the criminal Asian tour of Nixon, the chieftain of U.S. imperialism and notorious "anti-communist" war-maniac.

By no desperate, cunning means can the Nixon clique improve their difficult position in Asia and save themselves from doom.

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